

## **EXTRA-CURRICULAR ACTIVITY ELIGIBILITY**

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The goal for GCA is to do everything possible to guide students toward academic success and achievement. In addition to the TSSAA standards of eligibility (see page 20), the following GCA guidelines for eligibility shall apply to all students participating in extra-curricular activities.

Students participating in extra-curricular activities must maintain a 2.00 GPA each grading period. Grades will be checked at the mid-point and the end of each grading period. If a student falls below the 2.00 GPA standard at the mid-point of the grading period, the student will be placed on “watch” for two weeks. During the two-week “watch” period, a student may or may not play/practice/participate at the discretion of the coach or sponsor. Staff members, coaches, club sponsors, and parents will work together to develop a plan to assist the student in raising their GPA. If, after the two-week “watch” period the student is able to achieve the 2.00 GPA standard, he/she will remain eligible for all activities for that grading period. If the student is unable to meet the 2.00 GPA standard, the academic improvement team will continue to work to assist the student, who will become ineligible to participate in any extra-curricular activities until the end of the grading period at which time grades are checked again.

If a student’s GPA is below 2.00 at the end of the grading period, the student will be placed on “watch” for two weeks with the same procedure followed with the “watch” at the mid-point of the grading period. The only exception to this would be the student who has been ineligible the last portion of the preceding grading period. That student would have two weeks of the new grading period to bring his/her GPA up to the 2.00 standard so that he/she could become eligible.

Please note that a student’s GPA at the end of fourth grading period will determine fall eligibility. Summer school work will be taken into consideration. Students who participate in athletics/activities can be deemed ineligible for participation for disciplinary reasons at the discretion of the principal.